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SUBJECT: ISRAEL BOYCOTT: ARMSTRONG CO

1. MR. J.W. EVANS, GENERAL MANAGER OF LEGAL SERVICES FOR
ARMSTRONG EUROPE SERVICES LTS. OF UXBRIDGE, MIDDLESEX, UK,
CALLED ON CHARGE AUG 15 TO DISCUSS ARMSTRONG'S CURRENT PROBLEMS
WITH BAHRAIN BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL OFFICE. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY REP
OF LOCAL AGENT, KONTRA. SEVERAL MONTHS AGO LOCAL AGENT RECEIVED
QUESTIONNAIRE FROM BAHRAIN BOYCOTT OFFICE WHICH WAS FORWARDED
TO ARMSTRONG EUROPE. MR. EVANS HAS ATTEMPTED TO ANSWER THOSE
QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO EUROPEAN OPERATIONS AND TO THE GENERAL
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QUESTIONS WITH CAVEAT "AS THIS APPLIES TO EUROPEAN OPERATIONS OF
ARMSTRONG". THIS PROCEDURE HAS LEFT SOME QUESTIONS PARTIALLY
ANSWERED AND ONE, WHICH EVANS FEELS IS IMPORTANT, ENTIRELY UN-
ANSWERED.

2. EVANS SAID THAT DIRECTOR OF BAHRAIN BOYCOTT OFFICE IN DIS-
CUSSION WITH LOCAL AGENT HAD BEEN AS HELPFUL AS COULD BE EXPECTED

BUT WOULD NOT, NATURALLY, PROVIDE MANY LEADS TO SOLUTION OF THIS PROBLEM. ARMSTRONG HAD BEEN GRANTED THIRD, AND FINAL, EXTENSION OF TIME TO EXPIRE IN EARLY DECEMBER. IF NO OTHER SOLUTION CAN BE FOUND, EVANS PROPOSED TO ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS RELATING TO ARMSTRONG'S EUROPEAN TRADE WITH BAHRAIN AND COMPLETELY IGNORE OTHER QUESTIONS. LOCAL AGENT IS AFRAID THAT THIS WILL NOT BE SUFFICIENT AS THERE IS INDICATION IN HIS CORRESPONDENCE WITH BAHRAIN BOYCOTT OFFICE THAT CENTRAL BOYCOTT OFFICE IN DAMASCUS IS ALSO INVOLVED.

3. EVANS SAID THAT ARMSTRONG IS WORKING VERY HARD TO AVOID BLACK-LISTING AS MIDDLE EAST TRADE IS VERY IMPORTANT TO COMPANY. ARMSTRONG NOW HAS LARGE SHARE OF BAHRAIN MARKET AND OUTSTANDING RELATIONSHIP WITH BAHRAIN AGENT.
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